

# 2002 Census of Agriculture Congressional District Profile

## District 2, Connecticut

**Number of farms:** 2,011

**Land in farms:** 183,720 acres

**Average size of farm:** 91 acres

**Irrigated Land:** 3,402 acres

**Total Number of Farm Operators:** 3,225

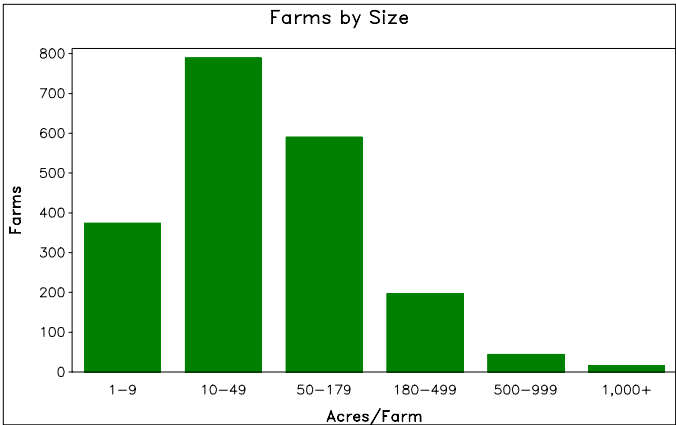
**Market Value of Production:** \$267,705,000

**Market Value of Production, average per farm:** \$133,120

**Government Payments:** \$2,208,000

**Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments:** \$15,020

**Gross Income from Farm Related Sources:** \$7,998,000



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**Ranked items among the 5 congressional districts in the state, and among the 435 congressional districts in the U.S., 2002**

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	267,705	1	5	175	418
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) <sup>2</sup></b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	934	1	5	273	371
Tobacco	18,242	1	3	22	106
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	111
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	4,339	2	5	203	398
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	5,803	1	5	115	403
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	121,857	1	5	19	415
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	1,665	1	5	40	349
Poultry and eggs	61,145	1	5	85	382
Cattle and calves	4,230	1	5	260	389
Milk and other dairy products from cows	41,761	1	5	117	339
Hogs and pigs	236	1	5	232	372
Sheep, goats, and their products	333	1	5	172	380
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	1,246	1	5	200	398
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	5	(D)	321
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	1	5	(D)	387
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	1	5	(D)	354
Cattle and calves	37,063	1	5	236	394
Pheasants	5,814	2	4	74	327
Horses and ponies	4,522	1	5	217	408
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	35,849	1	5	212	391
Corn for silage	20,536	1	5	73	330
Cut Christmas trees	2,773	1	5	38	343
All Vegetables harvested	2,308	2	5	183	398
Nursery stock	2,282	1	5	45	404

**Other Congressional District Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	641	Farming	981
\$1,000 to \$2,499	320	Other	1,030
\$2,500 to \$4,999	248	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	188	Male	1,602
\$10,000 to \$19,999	170	Female	409
\$20,000 to \$24,999	51	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.5
\$25,000 to \$39,999	71	All operators <sup>3</sup> by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	30	White	3,114
\$50,000 to \$99,999	80	Black or African American	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	94	American Indian or Alaska Native	17
\$250,000 to \$499,999	55	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
\$500,000 or more	63	Asian	1
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	192,820	More than one race	18
Average per farm (\$)	391,910	All operators <sup>3</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	48
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	55,486		
Average per farm (\$)	27,333		

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of congressional districts in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Categories are not comprehensive and will not sum to total.

<sup>3</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.